

DMIS Application Profiles & Conformance Testing

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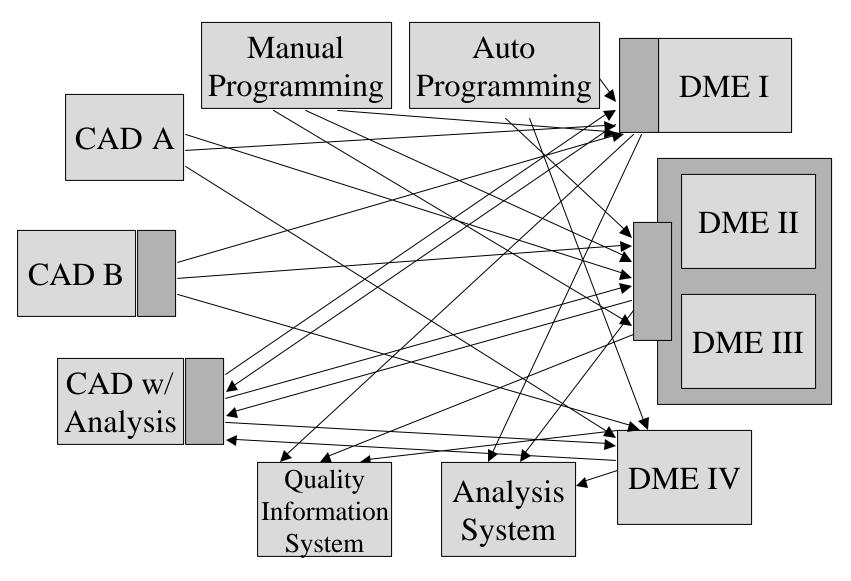
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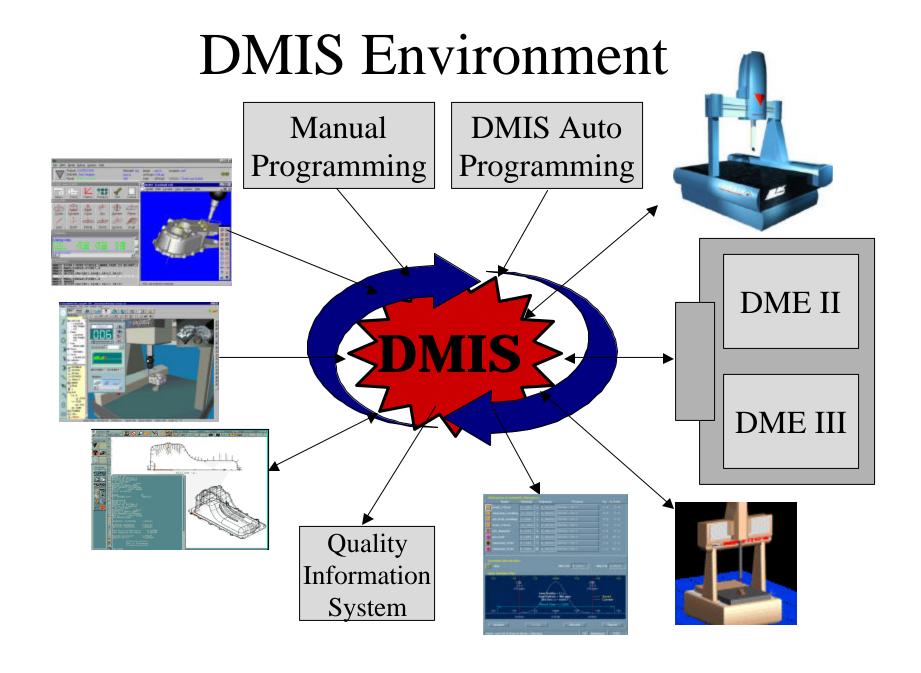
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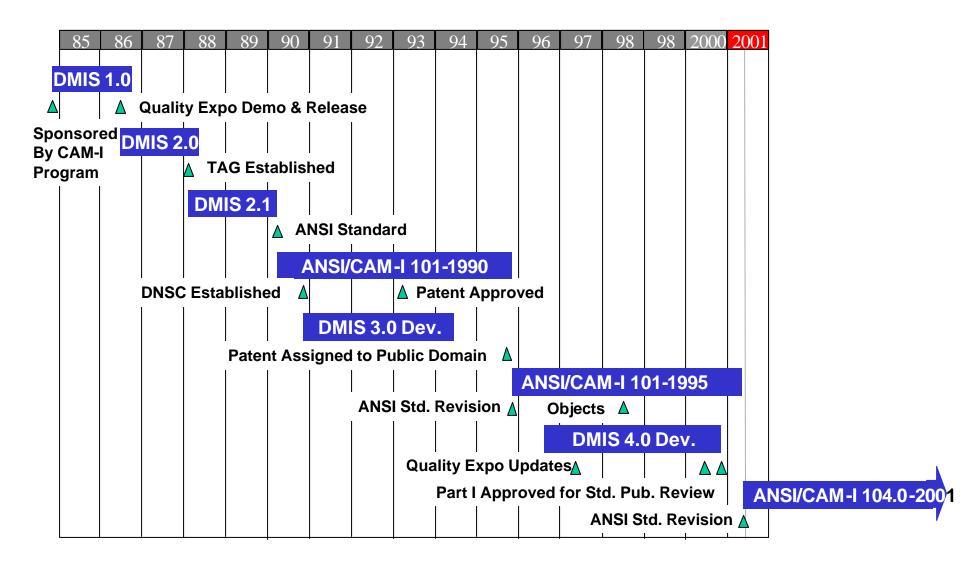
Dimensional Measuring Interface Standard

Pre-DMIS Environment





DMIS Timeline & Milestones



ANSI/CAM-I 104.0 – 2001 Part 1

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DNSC Recognized:

- The Difficulty of Using Past DMIS CHFiles for Evaluating Conformity.
- The Necessity of Guaranteed Interoperability between DMIS Systems.
- That Most DMIS Applications do not Need to Implement the Entire Standard.
- A Need to Define a DMIS Validation Mechanism.

DMIS 4.0:

- Rewrote the DMIS CHFile using the Extended Bakus Naur Format (EBNF)
- Identified Conformance Testing Services
 - To Validate CHFiles
 - To Test Conformance
- Defined an Approach to Insure DMIS Conformity within a DMIS Functional Subset.

DMIS Application Profiles

- Required for DMIS Conformance Testing
- Used to Defines Functional Subsets
- Contains Conformance Levels
 - Level 1: Essential
 - Level 2:Important
 - Level 3: Beneficial
- Must be Formulated, Agreed, and Submitted
- Formally Recognized by DNSC
- Currently none have been Formally Recognized or Submitted

Application Profile Representation

- Currently no Templates have been Defined.
- Define using DMIS 4.0 CHFile EBNF for Easier Comparisons with System's CHFile.
- Designate Conformance Levels within the Application Profile EBNFs.

Conformance Testing Service

- Can be Provided any Organization.
- Service to be Recognized by the DNSC.
- Develops Test Suites to:
 - Validate CHFile
 - Test DMIS Implementations for Conformity to One or More Application Profiles.
- Currently, No Conformance Testing Service Exist.

DMIS Conformance Testing

- Verify syntax of DMIS input and output files
- Verify that a generator produces conforming metafiles which accurately and correctly represent the intended results
- Verify that an interpreter can correctly and completely read conforming metafiles and produce intended results
- Verify that the DMIS characterization file is syntactically correct and that it accurately represents the capabilities of the application
- Conforming implementation must adhere to prescribed syntax and semantics

Conformance Claim

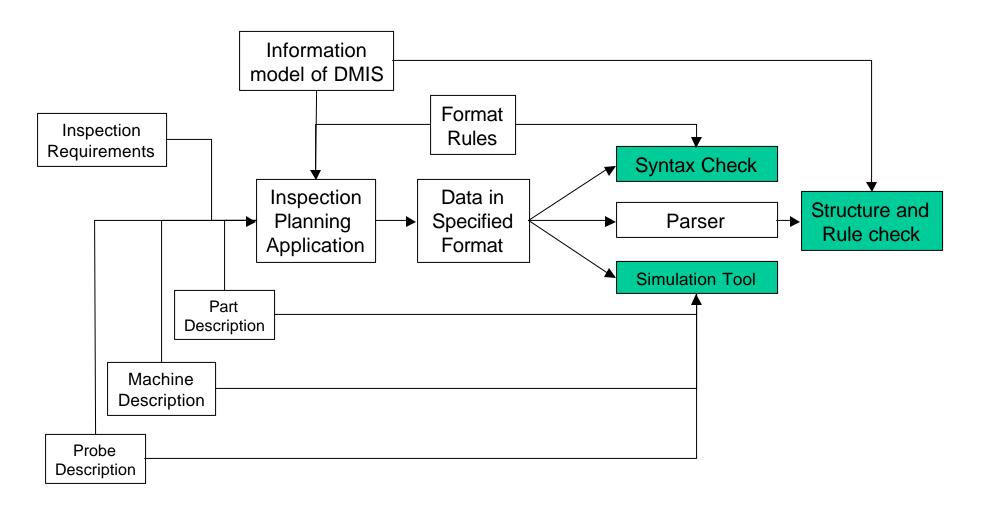
 OurProduct, Version x.y from DMISVendor conforms to DMIS Application Profile ABC, Level 2 and XYZ, Level 3.

Application Profile Development

Proposed as AIAG Work Request. Steps include:

- Discuss common user needs and decide on an application area for which to develop an application profile (e.g., prismatic, sheet metal, etc.)
- Identify and agree upon the subset of DMIS functionality needed to meet the requirements (define the application profile)
- Engage vendors and get their input on the application profile (reasonableness, implementation issues, how it fits with their plans etc.)
- Encourage implementation of the application profile
- Develop conformance test tools and suites to evaluate conformance of implementations to the application profile (NIST lead)
- Conduct testing pilot of application profile implementations, using Metrology Testbed equipment and software at industry, NIST, and university sites

Proposed DMIS Testing Architecture



Seeking Participation

- User representatives who know DMIS well
- Vendors
- Universities, NIST